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Examiner: Torres Velazquez, N.

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For: ACOUSTICAL FIBROUS INSULATION
PRODUCT FOR USE IN A VEHICLE**OFFICIAL**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSECommissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 2, 2004, please amend the application as follows:

Claim Amendments are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

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missing teaching that would lead a skilled artisan to modify what is taught in Swan et al. to arrive at the inventions of these new claims. Consequently, their allowance is believed to be in order.

In summary, none of the independent claims presently pending in this patent application are anticipated by the Swan et al. patent, nor are these claims directed to subject matter that is "obvious" in view of it and any of the other cited patents taken alone or in combination. Upon careful review and consideration of the foregoing remarks, it is believed the Examiner will agree with this proposition. Accordingly, the early issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance is earnestly solicited. If any fees are required pertaining to this response, the Examiner is authorized to debit Deposit Account No. 50-0568.

Respectfully submitted,



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